Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* May I know how long has it been out of order ?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* Off and on, that is all. Not permanently.

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* There is no electric current there and it has to be run by batteries. That is why it goes out of order occasionally.

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONERS—CASTE-WAR LIST

10. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will the Government be pleased to give.—

(*a*) a caste-war list of the Municipal Commissioners in Cochin State;

(*b*) their present scales of salary;

(*c*) their permanent posts and grades of pay?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):*

(*a*), (*b*) and (*c*) A statement furnishing the information is given below.—

Name of Municipality	Name of Commissioner	Caste	Present scale of salary Rs.	Permanent post and grade Rs.
1. Trichur	Mr. C. V. Narayana Ayyar	Hindu Brahmin	250-300 Draws Rs. 270	District Munsiff 200-10-300 240
2. Mattancheri	Mr. K. C. Peter	Syrian Christian	200-250 Draws Rs. 250	Tahsildar 150-10-250 220
3. Ernakulam	Mr. T. I. Chummar	Syrian Catholic Christian	200-250 Draws Rs. 200	Manager, Diwan Peishkar's Office 100-150 145

DEPUTY TAHSILDAR—REPRESENTATION FOR MAJOR COMMUNITIES

11. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the names of officers holding the posts of Deputy Tahsildar in the State;

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(*b*) whether the major communities of the State have been given representation in these posts;

(*c*) whether want of qualified men is the reason for non-representation of certain major communities?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) There is only one Deputy Tahsildar in the State, and he is at Cranganur. Mr. V. Krishna Menon is the permanent Deputy Tahsildar. He is now officiating as Tahsildar of Talappalli. Mr. T. I. Chummar appointed as officiating Deputy Tahsildar has been deputed as Municipal Commissioner. Mr. T. V. Rama Ayyar, Manager, Chief Engineer's Office, is officiating as Deputy Tahsildar now.

(*b*) and (*c*) The Deputy Tahsildar of Cranganur is in charge of the affairs of the Cranganur Devaswams and the Cranganur Palace. Therefore only caste-Hindus are allowed to hold the post. But this does not stand as a bar to the promotion of officers who are not caste-Hindus. The claims of officers who are not caste-Hindus are duly considered by Government when vacancies arise, and if it is found that an officer who is not a caste-Hindu is legitimately entitled for promotion as Deputy Tahsildar, he is appointed as such but allowed to work as Tahsildar in any Taluk other than Cranganur, a caste-Hindu Tahsildar being appointed to work as Deputy Tahsildar at Cranganur in his place.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* May I know, Sir, whether the Devaswams and Palaces of Cranganur contribute anything towards the pay of the Tahsildar who manages the affairs?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* Contribution is always received from Cranganur for all the services that the State is rendering.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Are they paying any special contribution?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* Contribution is received.

Mr. President: Pay is completely charged in the budget.

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Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* May I know whether there is any possibility of bifurcating this Department?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* It is not at all possible in the financial condition of Cranganur at present.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ. തഹസീൽദാർമാരുടെ നിയമനത്തിൽ, ചില സ്ഥലത്തു അതായതു് കൊടുങ്ങല്ലൂരിനെ സംബന്ധിച്ചിടത്തോളം, സബ് ഹിനുക്കളെ മാത്രമെ നിയമിച്ചുകൂടു എന്നു വന്നിട്ടുണ്ടു്. അതുപോലെ റവന്യൂഇൻസ്പെക്ടർമാരുടെ നിയമനത്തിലും എന്തെങ്കിലും റവന്യൂ ഫക്കായിൽ സബ് ഹിനുക്കൾ മാത്രമെ പാടുള്ളുവെന്നു വല്ലനിയമവുമുണ്ടോ?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* Does that arise here, Sir?

Mr. President : That does not arise. As a matter of fact, there is only one Deputy Tahsildar for the whole State. The practice used to be to post the Deputy Tahsildar always to Cranganur, so that the actual budget of Cranganur may include only the pay of the Deputy Tahsildar and not the pay of the Tahsildar. The result was that, since a Caste-Hindu was wanted at Cranganur, every time a Deputy Tahsildar's place became vacant, only a Caste-Hindu could be appointed with the consequence that non-Caste Hindus could not be appointed there. To obviate this difficulty and inconvenience, it has been ordered by Government that hereafter the practice of posting the Deputy Tahsildar to Cranganur should be avoided so that every person is entitled to be appointed as a Deputy Tahsildar, whatever may be his caste, and if a particular Deputy Tahsildar is not a Caste-Hindu, he is posted to another Taluk and a Caste Hindu is posted there. I suppose there is no grievance on the part of Mr. Viswambharan. *(Laughter).*

COCHIN HARBOUR—FIXING OF LIMITS

12. Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Will the Government be pleased to place on the table of the House.—

(*a*) a map of the Cochin Harbour mouth, showing the exact limits of the State boundary in the backwaters between Ernakulam, Bolghatty, and Mattancheri within which the State exercises jurisdiction as settled on the report of the latest Boundary Commission that sat in the Darbar Hall at Ernakulam;

(*b*) a copy of the award or other documents fixing the above boundaries?

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